

A DAY IN GREENSBORO

ITS RAPID PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY.

An Observant North Carolinian Gives Our Readers His Impressions of a Short Visit to That City.

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GREENSBORO, N. C., May 30.—Six years ago the trade and business in Greensboro, of all kinds, seemed to be languishing and depressed. To-day it is the reverse. Upward, upward, it goes, and still upward it is confidently predicted it will continue to go until Greensboro reaches the dimensions in population and wealth of one of North Carolina's greatest cities.

Why this wonderful change in the short period of one and a half terms of our Governors? We called in to see President Gray and found him at his desk buoyant with hope as to the city of Greensboro, the system of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley railroad, and particularly as to North Carolina. This progress and prosperity in that locality had been brought about by the construction and competition of railroads. He found what is now his road, commencing in the woods and ending before it got out of it. Now, where is it? Stretching away, you might say, from the mountains to the great heart of Wilmington, embracing within its management nearly four hundred miles of railway, increasing the value of property through which the lines run and are contiguous by millions of dollars, and thereby correspondingly increasing the taxes of the States. Previous to the construction of this road to Greensboro the Richmond & Danville had the monopoly. The area of territory of the city of Greensboro was 640 acres. Now by various land companies, streets and squares, preparatory to the future wants of the place, are being laid out on about 6,000 acres. Thus you see the tail is about to wag the dog. I had the pleasure of a ride through many of these new streets with President Gray, and therefore can testify to the fact of the contemplated speedy increase of the city to the extent named. Houses are rising up around the old city in every direction, and preparations are being made by substantial citizens for industries of various kinds; among these, as is pretty well known, will be the great steel and iron works of North Carolina. The character of the officers of this company, and their means, will certainly insure its success. You remember their capital is one million of dollars, about one-half already secured. Nothing like such works make great cities; for instance take Birmingham, Ala., which is still in its infancy. It already requires more cars to move the material of every description to and from its numerous factories than it does to move the entire cotton crop of the United States, which, you recollect, is over seven million bales. Being at an elevated point, land was pointed out that a year ago was valued at \$5,000 in a division of property that sold recently for \$25,000. Another tract not far distant was purchased by a land agent within a month or two for \$3,000, part of which had been cut and sold in lots for \$30,000. This gives a fair idea of the enhancement of property of the city.

We were carried through the beautiful cemetery which overlooks the site where will be located the iron works. Great attention is paid to this home of the dead. We observed from a newly made grave several boulders of rock. Calling up the sexton, who happened to be passing, we asked if they had been thrown out of the hole; he stated that those in sight were not half of those that had been carried off. I replied to him that we people down east have an advantage over you in digging graves, and you in the hilly country unquestionably believe it is fortunate that they have more use for it; and this reminds me of an anecdote that was told by Governor Morehead. A gentleman from the East, he stated, was riding through that country when he observed a man attempting to dig a grave near the roadside, when he observed: "This is a very healthy country up this way, my friend, and people don't die often here, do they?" "No, sir," he said, "they never die but once, and we are mighty glad of it."

We then, after reaching our way through various roads, the "Morehead" mansion, which threshold the writer had crossed just thirty-nine years ago with the great internal improvement Governor. There, in this long time of a generation, there had been but few changes; among them, however, was the steps to the main entrance, which the writer had observed, and to which he called the attention of the present proprietor.

After a delightful and most interesting ride in the country, we took a turn about the city. There are now there four banks, which are known as the Caldwell, Seales, Gray, and the Savings Bank. A veteran Caldwell prides himself on being the creator of his own bank. It is somewhat on a new system, and he speaks as eloquently of banking policies as of olden times, when it was a pillow of fire by night and cloud by day. Yes, he could discourse not only eloquently but poetically on that, and we were always glad to hear him. Next we have the Seales bank which we learn is also prosperous. We are glad of it; we are very glad of it. It will not be forgotten just before leaving the gubernatorial chair of N. C. he kindly promised to the A. & N. C. R. R. a dividend in the near future. Now as we hear from a near source that his bank is prosperous, why not the present president of the above named road get Mr. R. S. Tucker and Mr. Washington Bryan, who induced the declaration of this dividend, to endorse a draft for the amount and send it up for collection? Could not he truthfully state, which undoubtedly would encourage its payment, that at the expiration of the late management of the road, he actually cancelled over four hundred dead head tickets. He need not state of course how many he released, as this was not done by the immediately preceding management. Thus he has a high precedent on this point.

Mr. Gray, is president of the National Bank of Greensboro. It is one among the best constructed in the State. In the building are also the rooms of the M. C. A. the chamber of commerce and the masonic lodge. Thus you see the costly character.

There was a meeting of the prominent railroad officials here to-day. Among them were such skilled operatives and traffic managers as Mr. Sol. Hass, Mr. W. H. Green and Mr. R. R. Bridgers.

The two first named are unsurpassed in their different places on the railroad while the latter is a veritable chip of the old block. His courtesy, his attention, and capacity must soon lead him to the topmost round also of his profession. He is unusually popular up in this section of the State and undoubtedly he will be equally esteemed in your community, when he is equally as well known.

Now, sir, we have one line of railroad stretching to the harbor of Wilmington. We have another from Greensboro down to Richmond and West Point. Now, why could we not have the third from Greensboro via New Bern to Morehead City, on the sea? Could not the State bring about such a desirable result for her own interests? Would not a dividend follow as certain as the sea rolls upon the beach, or the sun sets behind the hills, thereby placing in the treasury of the State upwards of sixty thousand dollars annually? How easily could all this be done, if the State only wills it, through her legislature—we mean to unite the A. & N. C. R. R. and terminate it at this point.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

REFORMED CHURCH.

The General Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States met in tri-annual session in Lebanon, Pa., on the 28th of May. The meeting is an important one, as the missionary interest in Japan and other matters of interest are to be discussed. Rev. Joseph L. Murphy will represent the North Carolina classis.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The congregation of the second church in Charlotte has decided to build a large handsome new church. Mr. Jno. E. Oates is chairman of the building committee.

Rev. Chas. Robinson, of Monroe, has accepted a call to Graham street church in Charlotte.

EPISCOPALIANS.

At the recent session of the Diocese of Eastern North Carolina the office of Chancellor was created and Henry R. Bryan, Esq., elected to fill it. The New Bern Journal says: "It was determined to employ a general missionary for the Diocese, the Bishop to select the proper man. Resolutions favoring the establishment of a college in the Diocese were passed; and a committee to solicit funds for that purpose was appointed. Mr. J. B. Bonner, of Aurora, promptly subscribed one thousand dollars to the fund."

METHODIST CHURCH.

Rev. J. J. Renn, P. E., of the Salisbury district, tells the CHRONICLE that the new parsonage on the Farmington circuit will be finished in a few weeks.

A nice monument is to mark the grave of Rev. J. H. Guinn near Rockingham. Wilson, Monroe and Rockingham will contribute the money. Mr. H. C. Wall has charge of the worthy undertaking. Mr. Guinn was the most eloquent preacher North Carolina has seen since the war, and if long life had been given him he would have proven a second Marvin to Southern Methodism.

Y. M. C. A.

A friend at Kittrell, writing of the success of the Y. M. C. A. at that place, says:

"Three years ago the village had two bar rooms, one church, another in course of erection, no resident ministers of the gospel. Now there are three resident ministers, viz: Revs. G. W. Fisher, M. E.; D. A. Higgin, M. P., and M. T. Turner, Episcopalian, two nice churches in corporate limits, others very near, only one bar-room. The Y. M. C. A. is now arranging to have public lectures about every fifty days, and one public gospel service each month. The village of Kittrell has only about 100 (one hundred) white people." Mr. J. Leigh Hunt is President, John W. Moore Secretary, and Guy V. Barnes Treasurer.

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